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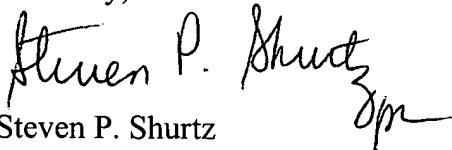
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**Re: SYRUPS CONTAINING SORBITOL, A PLASTICIZING AGENT AND
HYDROGENATED STARCH HYDROLYZATE, AND THEIR USE IN
CHEWING GUM AND OTHER CONFECTIONARIES**
Our Case No. 1391/1572

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is a specification, including a claims, for a patent application, filed via "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service to obtain a filing date pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.10 and 1.53(b). The declaration and filing fee are not enclosed at this time. Please use Customer No. 28,455 for the correspondence address for this application.

Sincerely,


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